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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: MAJIMA et al.

Entitled: CONTROL APPARATUS OF INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE
and including attachments as noted below:

- ☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☒ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract
☐ Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:

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114 pages of specification and claims (including 26 numbered claims), and
30 sheets of accompanying drawing/s for Figures 1 - 37.

☐ Record the attached assignment to _____, and return to the undersigned.

☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.

☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
2001-153412	JAPAN	23/MAY/2001
2001-223436	JAPAN	24/JULY/2001

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

☒ Certified copy(ies) filed on May 23, 2002 in prior appln. no. 10/152,995 filed May 23, 2002

☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

☒ This application is a ☐ continuation/☒ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. 10/152,995, filed May 23, 2002, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

☒ The prior application is assigned to DENSO Corporation, Kariya-city, Japan.

☒ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached.

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

☒ Please enter the attached preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

☒ Also attached: ☐ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☒ Other: Form PTO-1449

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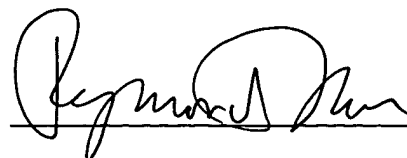
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